

**Motion No. 1.**

Mr. A. B. Salem.—*To reduce the allotment of Rs. 311 under—Land Revenue—Cranganur by Re. 1.*

Mr. A. B. Salem.—Sir, I have tabled this motion just to call your attention to the agitation that is going on regarding the Bharani festival at Cranganur. One part of the difficulty has been solved on paper and it will take some time to bring it fully into force, that is so far as the singing of obscene songs. Though there are complaints here and there that the orders are not fully observed by the public at large, the public is also partly responsible. There is the other question of killing of animal life, fowls and others unnecessarily. Of course a deputation has already waited upon the Diwan and has pressed the matter from a humanitarian point of view. Surely in a Hindu State, where life is held sacred, it will not be difficult with a little propaganda work to stop these things. We request that the Government will take the matter in hand and give their earnest attention to it. Only some propaganda is necessary to educate the people there, that these are not necessary. Of course a little sacrifice may be necessary inside the temple and that may be done. This wanton destruction of life, and throwing of fowls killed all over the place and to foul the atmosphere, those are practices which are accretions to the religious practice. This can be stopped without difficulty also. We request the Government to take the matter in hand and do everything possible.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—This point is engaging the attention of the Government.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—I do not press the motion.

*The motion was withdrawn with leave of the House.*

Question put: *that the demand may be made.*

*Motion carried.*

### 23. II—Agriculture and Panchayats— Cranganur—Rs. 76.

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—Sir, I beg to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 76 under II. Agriculture and Panchayats, Cranganur. This amount is required for the payment of the cost of stationery articles, forms and registers purchased from the Stamp and Stationery Department. The reasons for the allotment were fully explained when I moved for an allotment of Rs. 2,792 yesterday. I request that the additional allotment asked for may be sanctioned.

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**Mr. A. B. Salem.**—*To reduce the allotment of Rs. 76 under II—Agriculture and Panchayats, Cranganur by Re. 1.*

**Mr. A. B. Salem.**—This token motion was tabled in order to enable the Panchayats to get the money allotted to them available in the year itself. We have had the spectacle of lapses year after year and that was because the money allotted to them became available very late in the year for their purposes, and they could not carry the work through in the year itself with the consequence that the unspent money lapsed. Things are moving better this year and we are glad to note the same. But still they can move a little more better, if I can put it so, and I suggest that after the allotment is passed in the Budget Session here, immediate orders may be passed to make the money available for the various Panchayats by the end of Kanni. They can be asked to draw their money and do their work. If you take six or seven months to pass these orders to the various Panchayats, and await their requisitions, and then get them analysed and orders passed, that means nearly 8 months of the year are gone and they have got only four months, and they will have to hurry with the work, and even if they hurry the work they cannot do the work. Even if they do it, it will be done in a slipshod way. It will be very advisable to insist that the allotments for these Panchayats are made available to them at the earliest possible moment in the year. I suggest that orders may be issued so that they may be allowed to draw the money in Kanni or Thulam at the latest. It is only to point out this.

**Mr. I. Raman Menon.**—There were very few lapses last year and I do not expect any lapses this year, because a good many of the works have been taken up, estimates have been passed and the works are proceeding at a rapid rate everywhere.

**Mr. A. B. Salem.**—I do not wish to press the motion.

*The motion was withdrawn with leave of the House.*

Question put: *that the demand may be made.*

*Motion carried.*

**24. VII.—Registration—(b) Establishment—  
Cranganur—Rs. 230.**

**Rama Varmha Tampuran.**—Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 230 under VII—Registration—(b)—Establishment—Cranganur. The allotmen